

## Railroad Time-Tables

Iron Mountain Route.		
ARRIVES	DEPARTS	
Little Rock Accom. ....	5:30 p. m.	6:55 a. m.
Southbound .....	10:55 a. m.	11:00 a. m.
22 Northbound .....	4:50 p. m.	4:55 p. m.
Cotton Belt Route.		
Southbound .....	3:35 p. m.	3:40 p. m.
Southbound .....	2:40 a. m.	2:45 a. m.
9 local Southbound .....	7:05 a. m.	7:10 a. m.
2 Northbound .....	12:40 p. m.	12:45 p. m.
Northbound .....	1:35 a. m.	1:40 a. m.
6 local Northbound .....	5:05 a. m.	5:10 a. m.
ALTHEIMER BRANCH.		
Little Rock Accom. ....	10:55 a. m.	2:30 p. m.
Little Rock Accom. ....	2:30 p. m.	3:00 p. m.
Pine Bluff Arkansas River Ry.		
Regular Passenger .....	10:10 a. m.	3:00 p. m.
Arkansas River Packet Co.		
Leaves Thursdays .....	12:00 m.	
" Fridays .....	11:00 a. m.	

## TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The transport Lawton will be sent to Cape Nome to relieve the destitute miners there.

**THE BEST** should be your aim when buying medicine. Get Hood's Sarsaparilla and have the best medicine **MONEY CAN BUY.**

Louis Gross of Eldorado, Ill., committed suicide by taking morphine.

Exposition Commissioner Valois has returned from Paris. He defended Peck in reference to the charge that he had been discourteous to State representatives.

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The National Association of Letter carriers will seek legislation which will institute a pension system, the fund to be raised from assessment on the salaries of the carriers.

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Democrats and Republicans will hold demonstrations at Bowling Green, Ky.

Lead has advanced and zinc decreased in price during the week.

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Al Shafer shot and killed Bud Henderson, a negro, at O'Fallon, Mo.

Hot days followed by cool nights will breed malaria in the body that is bilious or costive. Prickly Ash Bitters are very valuable at this time for keeping the stomach, liver and bowels well regulated. Sold by Walker Drug Co.

Thirteen persons were killed and over thirty injured in a railway collision on the Pennsylvania and Reading Railway. An excursion train ran into a milk train. The engine plowed through two coaches attached to the milk train.

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The rebuilding of the fire-swept district in Bloomington, Ill., is impeded by the plumbers' strike.

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Lack of adequate transportation has forced many Americans to take passage in the steerage in order to return home. They have been subjected to vaccination, despite their protests.

If you eat without appetite you need Prickly Ash Bitters. It promptly removes impurities that clog and impede the action of the digestive organs, creates good appetite and digestion, strength of body and activity of brain. For sale by Walker Drug Co.

## PAYING OFF IN BANK CHECKS.

Gave Troublesome Practice Lessened by the War Revenue Tax.

"The war tax has its drawbacks," remarked the cashier in a large stock yards concern, "but it is a blessing to a man in my position. I never knew to what extent the habit of making small bank checks had spread until I saw a contractor pay off his laborers one Saturday night in checks. I made inquiry, and found that it was a common practice not only with him, but many others who hired great bodies of men. The latter did not like it, of course, because they were obliged to cash the checks at the nearest gin mill, which meant a loss to them, because they had to treat. A contractor who made a practice of issuing small checks told me frankly that in the old days, when it was necessary to face each check with a 2-cent internal revenue stamp, he made as few checks as possible. The war tax having included bank checks the habit of issuing small checks has practically been discontinued. That's why I say the tax is a blessing in disguise. It is not profitable to issue checks for small sums. There is still another reason why we now use fewer checks for small amounts. Expert bank men declare that the simplest check to raise is the one calling for an amount below \$10. The percentage of raised checks is 65 on sums below \$10. Another reason for the opposition to small checks is that they bother the bank authorities. Some banking institutions will cast out a patron's account should he persist in making small checks. The cheapening of the registry of letters is another reason for the suppression of small checks."

## HEAVY GUNS DESTROY EARS.

Why So Many Artillerymen Suffer From Defective Hearing.

The stunning report of each gun as it is fired is something that a stranger on the deck of a ship of war will long remember. There is an old saying, "deaf as a post." Now in the English navy this is changed to "deaf as a post as a gun." No man can go through a long series of gunnery practices without having his hearing seriously affected. Some men put cotton in their ears, but even this precaution does little to deaden the terrible shock. And if the firing of one or two guns has such a shattering power, what would be the effect if the whole armament were in action together? It is impossible to conceive the strain on nerve and senses of the rending concussion. If a visitor watches the firing of one of the monster nine-inch guns and then places himself beside one of the smaller pieces, the report made by the one will not appear much louder than that of the other. The extra distance to the muzzle of the big pieces discounts the sound. The only apparent difference between the two appears to be that the small pieces have a sharper, higher-pitched tone, and that the six and nine-inch guns speak with more of a bellowing roar. One piece of advice may be given to any one who finds himself in the neighborhood of a gun in action. The noise will not have nearly the same effect if you are watching the gun as if the crash comes unexpectedly. Unconsciously nature prepares you to resist a shock which is known to be impending.

## SUICIDE AND CIVILIZATION.

The More Progress the More There Is of Self-Destruction.

Felix Adler, the New York ethical clergyman, says of suicides: Suicides are on the increase in the present century. They have tripled in number in the last one hundred years. It is the disease of civilization, increasing in numbers with the progress of civilization. Germany, where civilization has reached the highest point on earth, is the blackest spot in this respect. It is the same story as you proceed from the less to the more liberal creed where the population of a community is made up purely of the Russian church there are 40 suicides to the million; where the people are purely of the Catholic faith there are 58 to the million; in Protestant communities there are 190 to the million. External conditions appear to have much to do with the act. There are more suicides in wet weather than in dry, more by night than by day, more on moonlight nights than on dark nights, and there are three times more men to die by their own acts than women. I cannot sit in judgment on those who have done this deed; I cannot enter into their inner life. But I warn all who think of freshing themselves from this life that they have no right to do it. The duty of progress compels us to remain—we must stay. We are here to solve the problems of life, not to evade them. We are here to fulfill our task, not to leave it unfinished. We must make the soul victorious over the senses, and we do that not by evading pain but by conquering it.

## Can't Whistle on Sunday.

The trains are to be forbidden to whistle within the limits of the city of Toronto on Sunday.

## THE SPORT OF KINGS.

They Were Too Much for the Skipper's Sentative of the Tradition.

Hunting used to be called the sport of kings, but not many of the modern crowned heads keep up the old tradition. The Czar of Russia occasionally assists at a battue, but the thing bores him and he goes only out of politeness. The prince of Wales is a very good shot and is fond of shooting, but his big-game days are over. The emperor of Germany hunts and shoots a good deal, but those who know him best say he does not much care for the sport. With him it is a matter of tradition—the right thing for a royal personage to do. The king of Portugal, who holds the record for fatness among all the royalties, is physically disabled from such violent exercise. The king of Sweden never touches a gun. The sultan of Turkey cannot bear to see one, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. The king of the Belgians has shot only once in his whole life, and then in a very unkingly fashion. He wanted to have the sensation of killing without the trouble of going in search of the game. So he sat in his arm chair and potted at a lot of rabbits let loose from a bag in front of him. When the smoke cleared away and his majesty called for his bag he had to be told that all that had been found was one tail and a certain small quantity of fluff. He never went shooting again. The king of Italy is the only real representative of the old kingly tradition. He is a mighty hunter and frequently chews up all the routine work without a word of warning, and goes off with one officer, Col. Pazzimboni, to spend several weeks in pursuit of the game of all kinds with which the mountains abound. Formerly he established no means of communication with Rome. Neither Queen Margherita nor any of his ministers ever knew where to find him for weeks at a time. He might have lost his throne in a sudden upheaval and known nothing of it till he descended to the plains. Of late, however, he has become wiser. Now a carrier leaves Rome every second day during his expeditions, bringing reports of all that happens.

## WHAT ASTONISHED THE SCOUT

Ostriches in South Africa Are Often Exceedingly Familiar.

The war in South Africa is productive of the greatest curiosities that have ever come under the notice of the British soldiers. One of the latest reports from the scene states that the simple-minded British soldiers have mistaken troops of ostriches for bands of Boers and bands of Boers for troops of ostriches. In some cases the ostriches have made friends with the soldiers. One of the best known correspondents at the front, who was with General Methuen at the Modder river, reports this remarkable incident: "While I ranged the valley or plain with my glasses something slipped and tumbled heavily over the loose stones behind me. I turned, thinking to dodge or help a stumbling man and found myself staring into the great brown eyes of an ostrich six feet tall and with legs almost as thick as and longer than my own. 'He came up here some days ago,' said a soldier, 'and he always stays here now. We feed him and fool with him, and he seems very happy.' The ostrich stalked past me and took a position between the major and the captain, where after appearing to observe that they were very busy scanning the landscape, he, too, stared at the plain and remained erect and watchful, the highest type of a sentry in appearance. He marred this fine effect for just a moment by seizing and swallowing a box of safety matches. After that he continued his sentry duty with satisfaction in his eyes." The ostrich is a great figure in public life in South Africa. He is a source of wealth and often a friend and companion. He is a valuable substitute for a watch dog. He can kick a horse to death and is, therefore, very formidable to be lars. He eats with relish things that would poison the strongest goat that ever lived.—New York Journal.

## An Encounter with a Mad Bull.

A telegram from Paris describes an encounter with a mad bull at Mont de Marsan. A woman was terribly injured, and an officer who went to her assistance with a drawn sword was tossed several yards and badly hurt. A sergeant charged the animal with a fixed bayonet, but was knocked down and trampled upon, being frightfully mangled. The bull next charged the village omnibus, killing both the horses. Several villagers, armed with rifles, at length succeeded in killing it.

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## SABLE ISLAND PONIES.

Their Manes Are in Some Instances Three Yards Long.

The story of animal life on Sable Island is strange. Roaming the sandy wastes are herds of wild ponies guarded by patriarchal stallions, says Ainslee's Magazine. These ponies resemble the horses on the sculptures of Nineveh, and approach the beholder seemingly out of the framework of antiquity. They are stocky and remarkable for their long manes, which in instances have been known to grow to the length of three yards. These ponies are the remnant of a stock thought to have been left by some Portuguese fishermen—"Portugals"—the old records quaintly call them—who touched at the islands on their fishing expedition at even an earlier date than the Marquis de la Roche. At one time there were from 400 to 500 wild ponies on the island, but their number has been decreased by exportation, the severity of the winters and, some people think, by the importation of improved, domesticated stallions, which have made the stock less hardy and consequently more susceptible to death from exposure. There are now between eighty and 100 wild ponies and about thirty for domestic use. Mounted on ponies, the life savers gallop over the dunes and among the hillocks on their long patrols, and the lifeboats are drawn to the scenes of shipwreck by teams of five ponies, three at the shaft, and two leaders. Some of the ponies are sent to Halifax every year or two, and are sold at auction at an average price of from \$15 to \$18.

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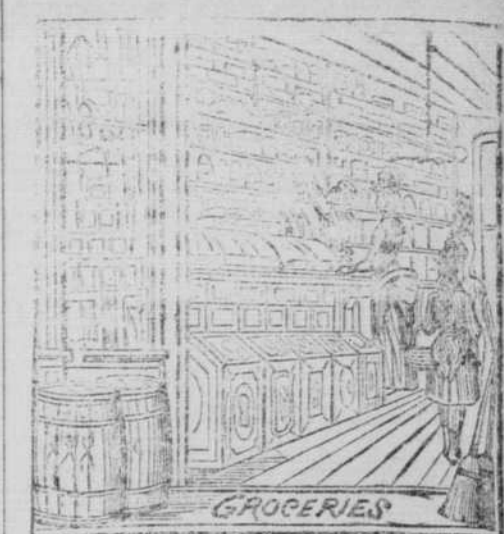
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